

Message Text

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 01 NOUAKC 01928 221548Z

43

ACTION COME-00

INFO OCT-01 AF-06 ISO-00 EB-07 /014 W

----- 066380

R 221306Z SEP 75

FM AMEMBASSY NOUAKCHOTT

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 4425

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE NOUAKCHOTT 1928

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: BEXP MR

SUBJECT: ADAR CORP. OBTAINS MINERAL STUDY CONTRACT IN MAURITANIA

REF: A. NOUAKCHOTT 1110, 8/19/74; B. STATE 204229; C. NOUAK-
CHOTT 1750; D. STATE 220385

1. OFFICIAL IN MAURITANIAN OFFICE OF MINES TOLD EMBASSY OFFICER SEPTEMBER 18 THAT ADAR CORP. FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT SIGNED CONTRACT ON JULY 26, 1975, WITH MINISTRY OF PLANNING AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT FOR PURPOSE OF UNDERTAKING STUDY OF ALL MAURITANIA'S MINERAL RESOURCES. (FOLLOWING RECENT GIRM REORGANIZATION, CONTRACT NOW FALLS UNDER JURISDICTION OF MINISTRY OF INDUSTRIALIZATION AND MINES.) ADAR WILL BE PAID \$460,000 FOR STUDY, WHICH IS FINANCED BY KUWAIT. AGREEMENT WAS SIGNED ON BEHALF OF ADAR BY WALID A. SAID, P.O. BOX 155824, BEIRUT, LEBANON. ADAR CURRENTLY HAS NO ONE IN MAURITANIA AND ON SITE WORK HAS NOT YET BEGUN. OFFICIAL CONFIRMED THAT ADAR CORP. IS MADE UP OF AMERICANS OF ARAB EXTRACTION.

2. MAURITANIAN AMBASSADOR TO US, AHMEDOU OULD ABDALLAH, WHO WAS RECENTLY IN NOUAKCHOTT ON CONSULTATION, EXPLAINED TO AMBASSADOR THAT HE HAS BEEN WORKING CLOSELY WITH ADAR GROUP, WHICH IS HEADED BY GEORGE DOUMANI. ABDALLAH SAID ADAR IS DESIGNED TO FACILITATE US PRIVATE INVOLVEMENT IN SMALL-SCALE DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS IN ARAB COUNTRIES. IT HAS SPECIAL INTEREST IN AND PERHAPS CONNECTION WITH MAURITANIA, THE SUDAN, AND KUWAIT.

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

PAGE 02 NOUAKC 01928 221548Z

HE ADDED THAT ADAR IS ABLE TO PUT DEALS TOGETHER BUT DOES NOT

HAVE CAPABILITY TO CARRY OUT PROJECTS ITSELF.

3. A QUICK CHECK OF KNOWLEDGEABLE OFFICIALS AT OFFICE
OF MINES AND SOCIETE NATIONALE INDUSTRIELLE ET MINIERE
DREW BLANK ON REPORTED A.D. LITTLE STUDY MENTIONED
REFS A AND D. WE SUSPECT THAT CONTRACT WON BY ADAR
IS FOR SAME STUDY IN WHICH A.D. LITTLE SHOWED INTEREST AND
SUBMITTED PROPOSAL. HANDYSIDE

LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 JAN 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: n/a
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 22 SEP 1975
Decaption Date: 01 JAN 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Authority: greeneet
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 28 MAY 2004
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1975NOUAKC01928
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Film Number: D750328-0231
From: NOUAKCHOTT
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1975/newtext/t19750930/aaaababi.tel
Line Count: 69
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Office: ACTION COME
Original Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: LIMITED OFFICIAL USE
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 75 NOUAKCHOTT 1110, 75 STATE 204229
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Authority: greeneet
Review Comment: n/a
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 13 AUG 2003
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review History: RELEASED <13 AUG 2003 by MartinML>; APPROVED <01 DEC 2003 by greeneet>
Review Markings:

Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
06 JUL 2006

Review Media Identifier:
Review Referrals: n/a
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: ADAR CORP. OBTAINS MINERAL STUDY CONTRACT IN MAURITANIA
TAGS: BEXP, MR
To: STATE
Type: TE
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 06 JUL 2006